

**METHOD, SYSTEM AND PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR PRESERVING A USER  
STATE IN AN APPLICATION**

**ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION**

Under the present invention, milestones or points of closure are provided at predetermined locations within a workflow of an application. Typically, the milestones are provided at completion points of tasks in the workflow. To this extent, as the user proceeds through the workflow, he/she is associated with the milestones corresponding thereto. The associations are stored (optionally with any corresponding data) in a persistent storage. In the event of a failure, the milestone associations are used to transport the user back to the last milestone with which he/she was associated.